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MINUTES OF THE

Kentucky Equal Rights Association,

November 9th, 10th and 11th, 1892.

COURT HOUSE, RICHMOND, KENTUCKY.

- WITH REPORTS-

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Mrs. Delia Pearson.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

FEBRUARY 10TH, 1892. Circular letters were written by the President Miss Clay, to elect a member of this Association to represent Kentucky at the International Woman Suffrage Congress to be held in Chicago during the Columbian Exposition, Mrs. B. F. Avery of Louisville was elected.

October 7th, 1892. Meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. Farmer, Covington: the President, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer were present. Mrs. Shepard was appointed to act as Secretary. An invitation extended by the Richmond Association to hold the Annual Convention at that place was received and accepted with expressed pleasure. Mrs. Farmer was appointed Committee on Railroad Rates. A communication from Mrs. Mary Patterson of Berea in regard to a lecturer was read and favorably acted upon. It was moved and carried to hold the State Convention, November 9th, 10th and 11th. Dr. Siewers and Mrs. McCann were appointed Auditing Committee.

Program for Convention was discussed and arranged.

I. H. SHEPARD,

Secretary, pro tem.

PLAN OF WORK AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

RICHMOND, Ky., Nov. 7, 1892.

Plan of Work Committee held a meeting at 4.00 P. M. at the residence of Mrs. James Bennett, Miss Laura Clay in the chair. Meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. Farmer. On account of absence of Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Shepard was appointed Secretary, pro tem. The following motions were carried:

Ist. That the Frankfort Committee be recommended to urge the Legislative Work upon the Property Rights for Women, Women Physicians in the Asylums for the Insane, and to secure the suffrage clause in the charters for the second class cities.

2nd. That the convention consider the adoption of a medal to offer for contest of essays or speeches on suffrage as a means of suffrage education.

3rd. To use badge of National Association.

4th. The use of enrollment books be recommended to all local associations and that numbers of individuals work in order to nominate and elect state representatives who will work or vote for enactment of Woman Suffrage.

5th. To adopt and have printed promissory notes, to raise

money for the state association.

6th. That this association exert itself to obtain space or desk room in State Building at Columbian Exposition.

Adjourned.

ISABELLA H. SHEPARD,

Secretary, pro tem.

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENTUCKY EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

Wednesday, November 9th.

First Day .-- Morning Session.

Meeting opened with reading and prayer by the President, Miss Laura Clay. Mrs. I. H. Shepard was elected Secretary, pro tem. The following committees were appointed:

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Shepard, Miss Rugg.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Mrs. Shepard, Dr. Siewers, Mrs. Cramer.

COMMITTEE ON COURTESY.

Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. M. B. Clay.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Mrs. Muggeridge, Mrs. Farmer. Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Gibson.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION.

Mrs. Muggeridge, Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Shepard.

The minutes of the Executive Committee were read and approved. An interesting and instructive report from the Executive Committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association was read by Mrs. Farmer, accepted. Miss Clay read a letter from Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery explaining arrangements in regard to the abandonment of the International Woman Suffrage Congress at the Columbian Exposition in favor of daily noontide meetings on the grounds. Also a letter from Mrs. Susan Look Avery noting a Housekeepers Convention held in Chicago.

Report of Frankfort Committee was read by Mrs. Farmer showing that good work had been done and the courtesy extended the members encouraged them.

The Minutes of the Plan of Work Committee were read by the Secretary and discussed. Moved and carried to continue the Frankfort work. Motion made and carried to leave appointment of the committee for this work to the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Bennett moved to ask the Legislature for Presidential Suffrage, amended—not to make it obligatory upon the committee, but if opportunity was afforded, to mention this great want—carried.

The President called attention to section 261 of the state constitution which provides for Houses of Detention, etc., this is intended for girls as well as boys.

Motion made and carried that the President appoint a committee, consisting of a member from each local association to work for good results of said clause.

Adoption of medals discussed and resolution carried, also prize contest for young people.

Adjourned.

Wednesday Afternoon.

2.00 P. M. The meeting opened by reading of the scriptures and prayer by Mrs. Farmer. Minutes read and approved. Report of Credential Committee read, approved. Moved and carried to take up unfinished work. Adoption of enrollment books discussed. Mrs. Henry explained the same. Mrs. Bennett moved to adopt this method for advancing the cause—carried.

Promissory notes explained by Miss Clay—discussed—adopted. Moved and carried to ask for desk room in the Kentucky Building

at the Columbian Exposition

An encouraging report was read by the Corresponding Secretary, accepted as given. Mrs. Farmer was asked to take the chair while the President made her annual address which was a clear statement of woman's position and an earnest appeal for continued work and a realization of woman's power for good with the ballot.

Mrs. Sawyer sent her report of Bible Study. she being too ill to be present. The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee. Report of the Free Lecture Bureau

read and accepted.

Miss Mary Bennett for Mrs. Sawyer, reported her successful efforts in asking for the admission of women to Wesleyan College at Winchester. Miss Clay reported that the Baptist College at Georgetown was open to women on probation, for three years,

then the Trustees will decide finally upon the question.

Moved and unanimously carried to extend thanks to Prof. Rucker of Georgetown for his interest and work in this matter. It was further: Resolved, that the Equal Rights Association of Kentucky expresses its most sincere appreciation and thanks to Prof. Rucker of Georgetown for his most successful efforts in securing the admission of women to the full privileges of the Baptist College at that place, and also for his long continued efforts for the education of woman in the state of Kentucky. The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to Prof. Rucker.

Opening of the Colleges to women was put before the Convention; moved and carried that all members of the Association and delegates be given the privilege of the floor; Mrs. Henry that a vigorous committee be appointed for Centre Cellege, Danville, carried. The chair appointed Mrs. Watts and Mrs. Pearce, and one other to be selected by Mrs. Pearce, a committee to wait upon the Directors of that College. Also appointed for Richmond College, Mrs. Hugh White, Mrs. Margaret Burnham, Mrs. Mary Shackelford. Miss Stuart was appointed to canvas for the Woman's Journal. The following committee was appointed on House of Reform: Mrs. Shepard, Mrs. Charles, Mrs. Muggeridge, Mrs. S. L. Avery, Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Dr. Stevenson.

Adjourned.

Wednesday Evening.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the President, after which Mrs. Josephine K. Henry was introduced to the audience and delivered an eloquent and convincing address on the "Rights of Women."

Second Day .- Morning Session.

Thursday, November 10th.

Meeting opened with reading and prayer by Dr. Siewers, Auditing Committee reported favorably on Treasurer's report. Mrs. Gibson reported no work done among young people. The President suggested instruction for young people on the Australian Ballot System. Mrs. Henry suggested June for commencement exercise essays on suffrage. Dr. Siewers gave an interesting account of such essays in Newport public schools. The President urged the members to study the Bible and learn the true position of woman as there set forth: that this is the first and strongest department in our work, also the duty of freedom.

Miss Bennett reported that she had found suffrage in Mississippi far beyond that in Kentucky and thought it was because the suffragists were Christian Women and Bible readers. The Superintendent of Industrial Training for Women reported no work done in that department, except to agitate the subject of adding

Manual Training to our public school system.

The President gave an account of work done by Mrs.

Roark, Superintendent of Political Study.

No report of Literature and Press Work. The President

asked delegates to state work done by local associations.

Lexington Association had distributed literature and had a column in the Lexington Gazette. Mrs. Farmer had distributed literature in Covington and elsewhere.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year, by ballot:

President. Miss Laura Clay.

First Vice-President, - - - - Mrs. Mary B. Clay.
Second Vice-President, - - - - Mrs. Mary B. Clay.
Third Vice-President, - - - - Mrs. Mary Cramer
Corresponding Secretary, - - - Mrs. Eugenia B. Farmer.
Recording Secretary, - - - - Mrs. Mary Muggeridge
Treasurer, - - - - Mrs. Isabella H. Shepard

The following delegates to the National American Woman's Suffrage Association Convention, were then elected by nomination and acclamation:

Delegates.

Dr. Siewers, Mrs. Henry, Miss Bennett, Mrs. Avery, Mrs. Sawyer.

Alternates.

Miss Morgan, Mrs. Jones, Miss Rugg, Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Beauchamp.

It was moved and carried to divide the Department of Literature and Press Work; the following Superintendents of Departments were elected by acclamation:

Bible Study, Mrs. Sarah H. Sawyer, London.

Political Study, Mrs. Mary C. Roark, Lexington.

Literature, Mrs. Susan L. Avery, Anchorage.

Press Work, Mrs. M. F. Hibberd, Louisville.

National Enrollment, Mrs. S. M. Hubbard, Hickman.

Legislature and Petition Work, Mrs. J. K. Henry, Versailles.

Educational Opportunities for Women, Mrs. Mary Patterson, Berea.

Industrial Training for Women, Mrs. I. H. Shepard, Covington.

Hygiene and Dress Improvement, S. M. Siewers, M. D., Newport.

Work among Young People, Mrs. Ellen Gibson, Richmond.

Advancement of Woman's Work in the Public Schools,—

Miss Anna Morgan, Newport.

State Organizer, Mrs. E. B. Farmer, Covington.

Adjourned.

Thursday Afternoon.

2.00 P. M. Meeting opened with reading and prayer by Mrs. Farmer. Mrs. Clara B. Colby of Washington, D. C., was announced, and it was moved and carried that she be made an honorary member of the association.

Report of a Committee on Resolutions read as a whole, acted upon seriatim and adopted.

It was moved and carried to continue the Free Lecture Bureau and increase the list of lecturers.

An invitation was given to the Association to hold the Sixth Annual Convention in Newport, date to be fixed later on. Report of Superintendent of Manual Training read and approved. An interesting paper was read by Dr. Siewers on Hygiene and Dress Improvement.

Mrs. Sarah G. Humphrey's of Versailles read an able paper on the People's Party, she thought the party made a mistake in not putting in a suffrage plank, there is no antagonism in the south to suffrage and it is ready for it. A vote of thanks was offered for the valuable suggestions and information given in the paper.

Miss Clay read a paper by 'A Kentucky Woman:' subject, "Why a Democratic Woman wants the Ballot." Mrs. Colby suggested that this able paper be printed in the *Woman's Tribune*, also in pamphlet form, which was adopted. Miss Stewart reported subscribers to the Woman's Column.

Adjourned.

Thursday Evening.

The meeting was opened with prayer, after which Miss Clay introduced Mrs. Colby who gave a most interesting lecture on Wyoming.

Friday, December 11th, 1892.

Plan of Work and Executive Committee met in joint session at the residence of Mrs James Bennett. After prayer the Executive Committee made the following appropriations: three dollars to Department of Legislature and Petition Work, three dollars to Department of Bible Study, three dollars to Department of Woman's Work in the Public Schools, and three dollars for programs.

The following members were appointed on Frankfort Committee: Miss Clay, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Avery, Mrs. Farmer, Miss

Morgan, Mrs. Goodknight, Mrs M. B. Clay.

Mrs. Farmer was appointed Secretary of the Free Lecture Bureau.

Friday Evening.

Meeting opened with prayer, after which Miss Clay introduced J. Franklin Browne V. D. M., who delivered an excellent address on Woman's Duty in Government.

Adjourned sine die.

REPORT OF THE MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The Twenty-Third Annual Convention of the N. A. W. S. Ass'n, was held at Washington City, in January, 1892. Twenty-six states were represented. It was decided to hold an International Woman's Suffrage Convention during the Columbian Exposition in 1893, and a committee upon International Woman Suffrage was decided upon, to consist of one member from each state elected by their Executive Committee, and one woman from each Nation of the World. Great interest was manifested in the Southern Work. It was decided that the following women should constitute the Committee for this work: Miss Laura Clay, Chairman, Kentucky; Mrs. Merriweather, Tennessee; Mrs. Howard, Georgia; Mrs. Merrick, Louisiana; Mrs. McDiarmid, Arkansas; Mrs. Miner, Missouri; Mrs. Miller, Maryland; and that the Southern fund when raised will be kept specifically for this work. A committee on Kansas work was appointed, Mrs. Johns, of Kansas made chairman, and it was voted to make this state a special field of labor, during the year 1893, as they are to have a Constitutional Convention.

Dr. Dickinson of Chicago, Chairman of the National Petition Committee reported that 1,000,000 male voters belonging to different organizations, such as the G. A. R., Knights of Labor and Grangers, had petitioned Congress to let the *people* settle this question of suffrage, and *not Congress*.

Considerable discussion arose as to the manner of securing reports of the Convention to all the states. A fund was raised for stenographic press reports for the year 1893.

A territorial committee was appointed: Mrs. Jarrett of New

Mexico was made chairman, being a great worker in the W. C. T. U. she was advised to divide her labors between the two associations. Mr. Blackwell of Boston was made chairman of the committee to present Presidential Suffrage before all Legislatures in session during the session of 1892. Separate Congressional work was referred to the Business Committee, requesting that a Committee be appointed (the chairman calling upon whoever she wished to assist her) to present petitions to Congress from every woman in the states who considers herself a citizen, demanding her right to vote for members of the House of Representatives as so stated in the Constitution of the United States, Article 1, Section 4.

Susan B. Anthony stated that the *Seal* of the state of Wyoming had been proposed for our National Badge. The matter was referred to a committee. Miss Sarah Winthrop Smith of Connecticut, designed a five pointed star as a badge and presented it to the Executive Committee. The design represents the world resting upon Wyoming, and beneath the inscription, "the Star of Suffrage Risen to Set no more." Miss Smith and Mrs. Isabella Beecher Hooker were appointed a committee to investigate the cost of

manufacture and report through the suffrage papers.

It was voted to interview all Senators and Representatives as to their standing on the suffrage question and report to Dr. Dickinson of Chicago. Miss Williams of Nebraska was made chairman of a committee to interview or by letter, ascertain the views of the Governors of the forty-four states on suffrage. A full account will be kept of these reports. Kansas has six members in the

Congress of the United States all suffragists.

Considerable discussion followed on forming a National Lecture Bureau, to do away with a regular National lecturer, but a change in the Constitution is necessary before this can be accomplished, which change will be made in 1893. Many changes were made in the Constitution. By a decided vote of the Convention the President of each State Association remains the Vice-President of the N. S. W. S. A., and each Auxiliary Association will be entitled to elect one of its members as a member of the Executive Committee. Respectfully submitted,

EUGENIA B. FARMER,

Member of Executive Committee, N. A. W. S. A.

REPORT OF FRANKFORT COMMITTEE.

The Frankfort Committee appointed by the Executive Committee of the Kentucky Equal Rights Association met at Frankfort and the State of the State of

fort on the 8th of February, 1892.

The special work of this committee was to work up the Property Rights, Women Physicians in the Lunatic Asylums, and secure a school suffrage law for the women of this state. The same morning the committee called upon the Superintendent of Public Instruction, found him quite willing to aid us in the School Suffrage work. Senator Lindsey presented a Property Rights Bill similar to the one presented two years ago.

Thursday evening the 10th, in the Representatives Hall, addresses were delivered by Miss Clay on Women Physicians in the Asylums for the Insane, Mrs. Farmer on School Suffrage, and Mrs Henry on Property Rights. The audience was large, composed of members of the legislature, their wives and citizens of Frankfort. Much lobbying was done and the committee had a hearing before the Revisory Committee and Committee on Education.

On the evening of the 11th, the committee called upon Judge Drane, of Frankfort, a strong suffragist and chairman of the Committee on Revision of Charters for the cities of the third class. We wanted his influence with the Revisory Committee that no change should be made in the school law in the charter for the cities of the second class.

The members of the Legislature were exceedingly kind and attentive to the committee and did not refuse to be interviewed upon the subjects of such vital importance to the members of the Kentucky Equal Rights Association. Whether we are gaining or losing ground will be decided at the next session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENIA B. FARMER, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The Fifth Annual Report of the Kentucky Equal Rights Association shows an increase of interest throughout the State, and we feel encouraged because by letter we have been urged to send Mrs. J. K. Henry and Miss Laura Clay to lecture upon

Suffrage.

Mrs. Henry has kept up a column in the Southern Journal beside writing fifty-six articles for other papers, distributed and mailed eight dollars worth of literature, secured three subscribers to the Woman's Column, one subscriber to the Woman's Journal, and secured two members for the N. W. S. A., forwarding their dues, one five dollars the other one dollar. Mrs. Henry asked that some one be appointed to take full charge of the School Suffrage work in the state, as she had more than she could attend to as Superintendent of Legislation and Petitions. Mrs. E. B. Farmer was appointed to fill this position. This work has been chiefly confined to Covington, Newport and Lexington, as these cities are to have a new charter. A personal appeal was made to each member of the committees selected from these three cities to draw up a charter, with the request that the following clause should be inserted in the school laws. "That women shall be eligible as members of the Board of Education and qualified to vote at any and all elections of said Board." Personal appeals were made last winter while at Frankfort to the Committee on Education and Revision, also addresses to the Legislature. Over two thousand names have been presented to the Legislature for School Suffrage. Miss Laura Clay donated six dollars to defray the expenses of printing petitions, stationery and postage for School Suffrage work.

OFFICERS, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING, ETC. OF LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS.

LEXINGTON.

President: MISS LAURA CLAY. Cor. Sec'y: MRS. NINA WITHERS.

Meets weekly; have regular Bible readings. Secured the services of Mrs. Helen M. Gougar to speak at the Chautauqua at Lexington. A personal effort was made to secure the school clause in the charter for the cities of the second class, making woman eligible for school trustees. Three thousand pages of literature have been distributed.

COVINGTON.

President: Mrs. E. B. Farmer. Sec'y and Treas: Mrs. I. H. Shepard.

Meets monthly; School Suffrage has been the principal work of this association, to secure a clause in the charter for cities of the second class, making women eligible as school trustees. Three thousand pages of literature distributed.

LONDON.

President: W. R. RAMSEY. Cor. Sec'y: SARAH RANDALL BOREING

Meets monthly; Several copies of the Woman's Journal and Woman's Column have been taken.

LOUISVILLE.

President: Mrs. C. A. Leach. Secretary: Mrs. Mary F. Hibberd.

Meets monthly; one public lecture was given addressed by Judge L. H. Noble and Mrs. Josephine K. Henry. A petition with 113 names appended was sent to Frankfort, asking the Legislators their consideration of a bill that would give Kentucky women control of their own incomes, ability to make a will, and equal rights with fathers in the custody of their children.

NEWPORT.

President: SARAH M. SIEWERS, M. D. Cor. Sec'y: MISS ALICE L. NEALEANS.

Meets twice a month at Temperance Hall; two public lectures were given by Josephine K. Henry and Rev. Anna H. Shaw. Have taken up the study of United States, State Constitutions and Parliamentary Ruling. Several copies of the Woman's Column and Woman's Journal are taken. A prize of Five Dollars in Gold has been offered for the best essay in favor of Woman Suffrage to our Public School children and will have three prominent persons to award prize. The prize essay is to be read in public and printed in some paper.

RICHMOND.

President: Mrs. James Bennett. Cor. Sec'y: Mrs. Hugh L. White.

Meets once a month at headquarters; the Bible is read at the meetings. Several copies of the different suffrage papers taken.

EUGENIA B. FARMER, Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER-1891-92.

To balance, Dec. 10, 1891\$40.21 Donation, Mrs. Hubbard 5.00 "Mrs. Henry 10.00 "Mrs. Bennett 10.00 Dues paid by locals:— Lexington 3.50	Legislative and Pet. Dep't\$ 3.00 Bible Study Department 3.00 National Association, dues 7.70 Frankfort Committee 15.00 Printing Minutes 16.00
Richmond 7.00	44.70
London 2.80 Mewport 11.20 Louisville 4.90 Covington 2.80	Balance 58.71
Member State Ass'n 6.00	
\$103.41	\$103.41

ISABELLA H. SHEPARD, Treasurer.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF BIBLE STUDY.

Received from Miss Clay,		-		\$10.00
Expended for postage,	-		-	.93
H. P. Fitch for 50 "At the Temple Gate," -		-		5.35
W. B. Godbey, 100 Woman Preacher,	-		-	4.50
Leaflets,		-		.30

Woman's Column sent free to thirty-six preachers, but this is due more to the efforts of Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Hubbard, than to my work.

S. H. SAWYER, Superintendent.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That since women are as dependent as men upon the laws for protection in life, liberty and property, they ought to have equal voice with men in the making and execution of the laws.

2nd. That whether we view suffrage as a privilege, or as a natural right, it belongs equally to every citizen of good character and legal age under the government; hence, women as well as men should enjoy the dignity and protection of the ballot in their own hands.

3rd. That with joy we note the evidence that the churches are fast coming to the gospel standard of the unity and equality of men and women, and declare that there should be no bar to the ecclesiastical emancipation of women.

4th. That we are in hearty sympathy with the Board of Lady Managers of the World's Columbian Exposition, and urge members and friends of the Kentucky Equal Rights Association throughout the state to heartily co-operate with the Kentucky members in their efforts to further the interest of all women throughout the state.

5th. That we observe with joy the progress made by Southern women in the Suffrage work.

6th. That the thanks of the Equal Rights Association, be tendered the Madison County Association, and other citizens for their courtesy and kind entertainment, to the press for favors received, to H. C. Farmer for pencils and tablets, and to the railroads for giving reduced rates to delegates.

REPORT OF THE FREE LECTURE BUREAU.

Under the auspices of the Lecture Bureau, Mrs. Josephine K. Henry has made addresses at the following places: At Louisville, in Baldwins Hall, January 4th; subject: "Property Rights." At Newport for the W. C. T. U., in the afternoon of March 29th, in the evening at the same place for the Equal Rights Association. On June 2nd, at Louisville. February 10th, before the Legislature at Frankfort. At Paris in May, before the W. C. T. U. At Nevins Grove, Anderson Co. September 5th. Harrodsburg Court House alternoon of October 6th. Carlisle Court House afternoon and evening of October 10th.

Miss Laura Clay made the following addresses: At Bethel in Casey Co., Ky., in the evening of July 19th. On the morning of the 20th at the same place. At Mintonville on the 21st, morning

and evening. On the 23rd and 24th at Middleburg.

Mrs. Eugenia B. Farmer, one lecture at Bellevue, Ky., on

Suffrage for the W. C. T. U.

Notices of this Lecture Bureau have been inserted in the Woman's Journal and Woman's Column of Boston; The Woman's Tribune of Washington City; The Southern Journal of Louisville, Ky.; the Woman's Chronicle, of Little Rock, Arkansas.

EUGENIA B. FARMER,

Secretary.

FREE LECTURE BUREAU.

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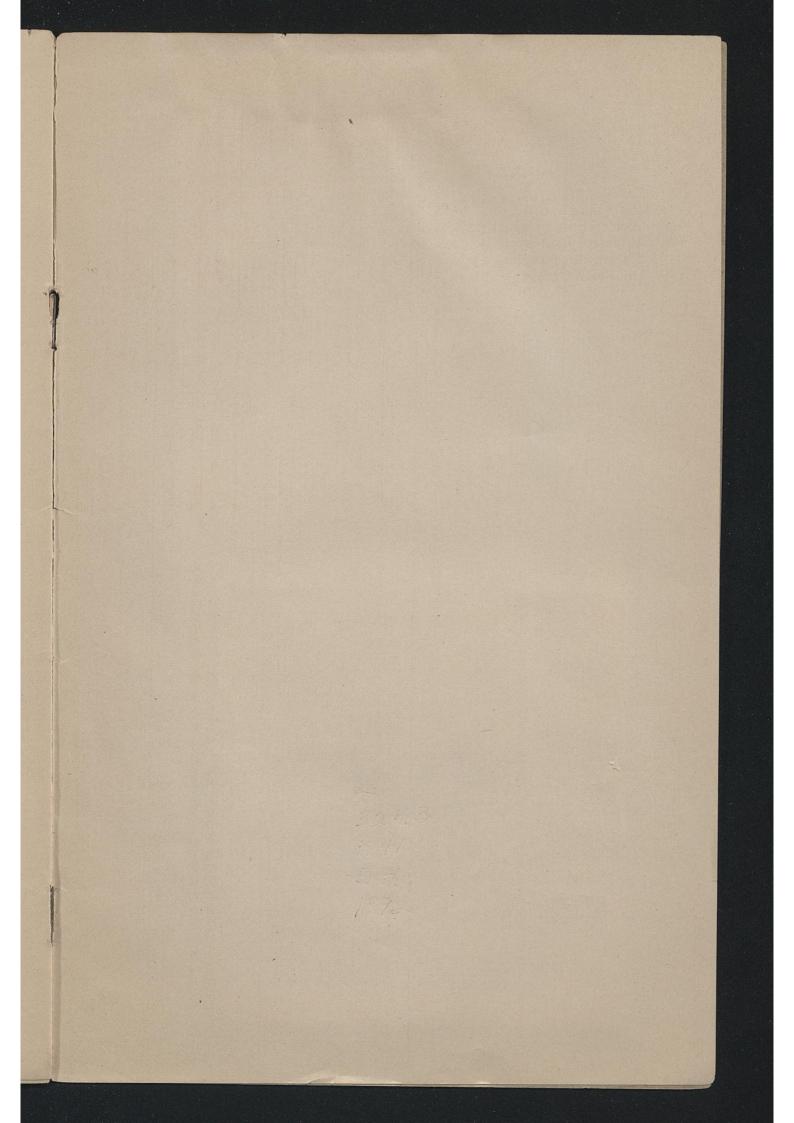
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